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Jan Hathcock The Library of Virginia 800 East Broad Street Richmond Virginia 23219-8000

Dear Ms. Hathcock:

I have reviewed the proposed regulations 17 VAC 15-120-10 through 17 VAC 15-120-30 regarding destruction of social security numbers in public records. Based on that review, it is my opinion that the Library Board, acting pursuant to its statutory authority under § 48.1-82 (1) through (3), to assist in the preservation and destruction of public records and to issue regulations on proper destruction of public records, has the requisite authority to promulgate these regulations and that the proposed regulations comport with state and federal laws. If you have any questions, please call me at (804) 786-3804.

Sincerely,

Alison Paige Landry

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